



## **VOLY GRAMPIAN FOREST RALLY**

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> & Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> August 2025**

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## 1. PROGRAMME

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Signing on opens	Open now via Rallies.Info	
Signing on closes	Tuesday 5 August	1700 hours
Service Park Gate opens	Friday 8 August	0800 hours.
Noise Test, Decals, Road Book, and Tracker issue & Scrutineering opens	Friday 8 August	0900 hours
Noise Test, Decals, Road Book, and Tracker issue & Scrutineering closes	Friday 8 August	1400 hours
Drivers Briefing (online)	Friday 8 August	1400 hours
Provisional Start Times issued (online/text)	Friday 8 August	1500 hours
Fuel Cans drop off in Refuel Zone	Saturday 9 August	0800-0900 only
Car 1 Start time	Saturday 8 August	16.51 hours at Milton of Crathes

We look forward to welcoming you to Milton of Crathes, King George V Park, BA Barn and all the great forests of Aberdeenshire for a great day of sport on 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> August.

If you have any questions or are not sure what you need to do, please email or phone Anona Gauld, Entries & Event Secretary on [anona.gauld@ritchieleasing.co.uk](mailto:anona.gauld@ritchieleasing.co.uk) or 07894 108097.

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## 2 AMENDMENTS TO SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

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### Article 13: CONTROLS AND TIMING.

- Should now read as per NCR 13.13.9.1.e/f - Lateness in excess of target time on road sections and special stages is cumulative. Once a competitor cumulates lateness, calculated from the previous Main Control, exceeds the penalty-free maximum of 15 minutes, the competitor will be retired from the event.

Main Controls on this event are situated at the start and finish of each Leg.

(Leg 1: Friday 8th August. MTC0 – Start, MTC1 - End of Leg)

(Leg 2: Saturday 9th August. MTC2 - Re-Start, MTC3 - Ceremonial Finish)

- As per NCR 13.13.8.4 – the timing of controls will be to the whole second and the stages to the 10<sup>th</sup> of a second.

### Article 9: RESULTS

Should now read as per NCR 13.13.14.3 - If there is a tie, the Competitor who accomplished the best time for the first Special Stage will be judged the winner. If this is not sufficient to resolve the tie, the times of the second, third, fourth, etc, Special Stages will be taken into consideration, unless the Official Documents specify another method of resolving ties. This regulation can be applied at any time during the Rally.

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## 3. ACCESS TO SERVICE PARK

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Gates open Friday 8 August at 0800 hours.

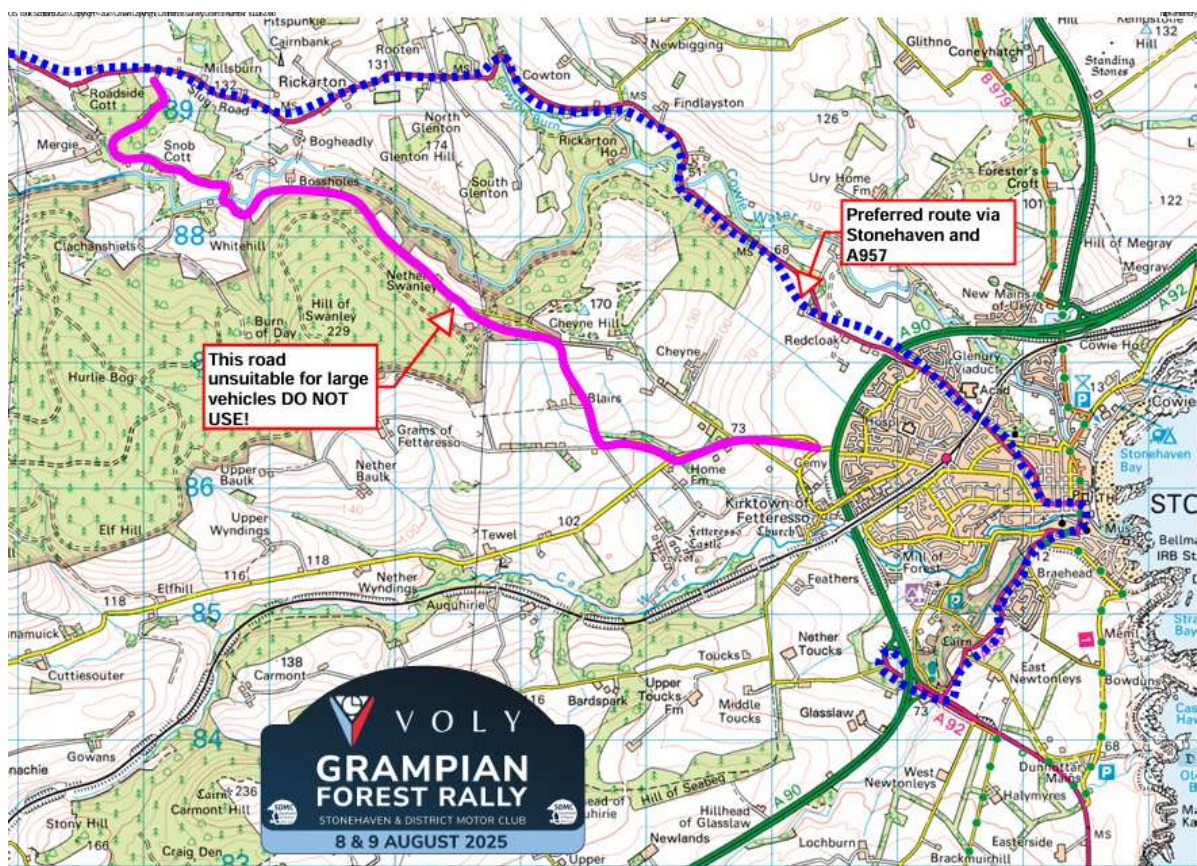
Service Park is at Milton of Crathes, Banchory, AB31 5QH on the A93. If travelling from the South via A90 to Stonehaven, **do not** follow any Satnav instructions over the Swanley Road from Stonehaven to Rickarton and proceed only by the A957 Slug Road from Stonehaven to Banchory.

Gates open Friday 8 August at 0800 hours. See the Service Area Map attached. Please ensure you have provided with your entry full details of your service requirements e.g bring large vehicles, servicing beside other competitors etc. If you have not already done so, please do without further delay.

Please follow the instructions of the Gate Stewards and Service Area Marshals. You will be directed to Service Bays which will be allocated for each competition car and no other bays should be occupied. Please comply with Service Bay markings and do not encroach on your neighbours. The Service Bay will be large enough to take the competition car and service van but not trailers. Any other vehicles should be parked in Additional Parking Area and Trailers in the Trailer Parking Area, as instructed by the marshals.

Please observe 10mph speed limit in the Service Area at all times.

Please note that for those that have attended the event before, our scrutineering will take place in KGV park in the centre of Banchory and will be open to the public.



Follow RED ARROWS to Noise Check in bottom corner of Field then head to Scrutineering.

Don't block the Entrance Gate – Follow the directions of the marshals who will call you forward.

On leaving the service area and rejoining the main road, please make sure you are on the tarmac at the junction before accelerating away otherwise if you accelerate on the loose with gravel tyres you will just dig a hole, which will damage the ground and potentially your vehicles. Thanks.

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#### 4. TRAILERS

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Trailers must be parked in accordance with instructions by Service Area marshals. The Organisers do not accept any responsibility for security of trailers and equipment left in the Service Area and strongly recommend that trailers and spare tyres should be secured by locking devices.

Please observe the 10 mph speed limit in the Service Area at all times.

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#### 5. DOCUMENTATION AND SIGNING ON

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This is all done online. Competitors are reminded that any outstanding information must be entered into the rallies.info system and the entry updated, and they can sign on using the same system. Signing on is now open and closes on Tuesday 5 August at 1700 hours.

Competitors can collect Documentation including Event decals, numbers and plates, Road Book, Timecards and cradle for the Tracking Device at the Noise Test location, on Friday 8 August between 0900 and 1400 hours from Milton of Crathes.

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#### 6. NOISE TEST AND SCRUTINEERING

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Noise Test will be located at Milton of Crathes will be carried out 0900 and 1400 hours on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> August and Scrutineering of all competition cars will be carried out between 0900 and 1400 hours on Friday 8 August at King George V Park in the centre of Banchory. See Service Area Map for locations and follow Red Arrows. Please join queue for Noise Test and Issue of Documentation. Thereafter please affix numbers and decals and proceed to Scrutineering at King George V Park, Banchory.

Please ensure the number decals are a minimum separation of 25mm as per **NCR 13.9.5**

Competitors are reminded that they must have with them the Motorsport UK Competition Car Log Book, valid MOT Certificate, FIA Homologation Forms (if applicable), or Motorsport UK Historic Vehicle Identity Form (if applicable), for examination by the Scrutineers. **FAILURE TO PRODUCE THESE DOCUMENTS WILL LEAD TO A REFUSED START OR DISQUALIFICATION**

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#### 7. SERVICING and MANAGEMENT VEHICLES

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Competitors are reminded that no service, management, auxiliary or any other support vehicles are permitted outside the Service Area. (Article 15). Judges Of Fact will be observing the Rally route and any competing crews found in breach of this Regulation will be reported to the Clerk of the Course who may impose the penalty of DISQUALIFICATION.



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## 8. CLASSES

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The following classes shall be amalgamated as follows:-

S6 & S8 to combine

S7 & S9 to combine

S11 & S12 to combine

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## 9. OFFICIAL NOTICE BOARD

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The virtual Notice Board will be maintained by the Sportity app as stated in the Regulations. This can be downloaded from [www.sportity.com](http://www.sportity.com) or the App Store and add the Grampian Competitors Channel using the password **VGFR25COMPHobseat**

There will not be a separate Official Notice Board on the Rally website.



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## 10. ENVIRONMENTAL SPILL KITS

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Competitors are reminded that they are required to carry an environmental spill kit. Some may be on sale at the Noise Test location but best to bring your own. The kit must be carried in the competing car at all times and used in the event of a spillage on a stage, road section or in the Service area. If used, the bag must be securely tied before disposal in the spill station at the Service Area. Replacement kits may be available.

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## 11. DRIVERS BRIEFING

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Competitor briefing will be available on the Sportity App from Friday 8 August. We strongly recommend that all crews watch this and if there are any questions, please contact Rally Secretary Anona Gauld on 07894 108097

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## 12. REFUELLING

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Competitors are reminded that the refueling instructions in terms of Article 15 will be strictly enforced.

The following instructions are for manual refueling-

Fuel Storage. Fuel cans may be dropped off in the Refuel Zone between 0800 and 0900 on Saturday 9 August, they must be labelled with competition number and removed once refuel complete. Only British Standard fuel cans can be accepted. Only competition and Course cars are permitted in the Refuel Zone after 0900 hours.

On entering Refuel Zone, competition cars will be directed into a bay where supplied drip tray must be put in place prior to refuelling. No one must be in the car-driver, co-driver, service crew. The engine must be switched off throughout the refuel operation (**NCR 13.14.1**) Hand transfer pumps should be used or direct filling into vehicle from attached can spout. NO FUNNELS are to be used.

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## 13. ROAD BOOK AMENDMENTS

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On SS5 EMCO BA BARN Spectator special stage will have a Mandatory Radio in place at post 5

On SS8 McCombie Builders Durris stage will have a Mandatory Radio in place at post 11

Page 34 Schedule there has been an error in timing from TC10A onwards should now read as:

TC10A	Kirkton of Durris	Regroup IN	12.76	0.30	17:24
TC10B	Kirkton of Durris	Regroup OUT		0.15	17:39
MTC3	Rally Zone	 Ceremonial Finish	5.10	0.15	17:54
Total Mileages Leg 2			157.62	44.47	

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## 14. SS5 EMCO BA BARN SPECTATOR SPECIAL STAGE

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Important information regarding SS 5

Your attention is drawn to the set up and signage for this stage, specifically, the way this diverges from Motorsport UK NCRs.

### Chicanes

The layout of chicanes is in accordance with NCR 13.12.5 and NCR 13.12.6. However, **for this stage only**, countdown boards will be less than the distance required by NCR 13.12.5.5. They will however be consistently the same throughout this stage.

### Merge

The layout of the merge section, while not in strict accordance with NCR 13.12.4.5, has been approved by Motorsport UK. Countdown boards at the merge will be less than the distance required by NCR 13.12.4.3.

Competitors are reminded of NCR 13.12.4.6 that *“at the point of merge Competitors furthest into stage will have priority and all Competitors must merge in such a way that it does not constitute a danger or hinder other drivers”*.

### Split

Countdown boards at the split will be less than the distance required by NCR 13.12.4.3.

Per NCR 13.12.4.4, a Judge of Fact will be in place at the split junction to note and report any Competitor overshooting and reversing back against the route of Rally traffic. Competitors are reminded that the prescribed penalty for doing so is set out in NCR 13.14.(q) is disqualification.

Finally Coast Radio will be doing a live link talk back to the radio station for live broadcast so you may be interviewed on your way into SS5 just before arrival, I would appreciate your support for this new venture.

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## 15. FIRE RISK

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Forestry and Land Scotland has advised us that the risk of forest fires is at its highest level for some time. There must be no fires, barbeques, smoking or discarded cigarettes in the forests, or any other activity that will increase the risk of fire. Any fires spotted must be reported to the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (999 call) immediately.



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## 16. NEW SPORTTRAXX TRACKERS

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Competitors will be issued with a new model of tracker, which should be used in accordance with the following instructions:

### The new Sporttraxx Rally 2G/4G Tracker with external Keyboard

The best Sporttraxx Tracker ever

Easier installation :

- Fully battery operated for up to 5 days
- No power cables needed
- No holes drilled in the roof thanks to internal antennas
- Tracker is fitted to windscreen with nanogel
- Keyboard is fitted with nanogel, or cableties or screws
- Smallest size and weight
- Maximum flexibility in positioning the Keyboard for an



Easier compliance with the basic FIA safety requirements:

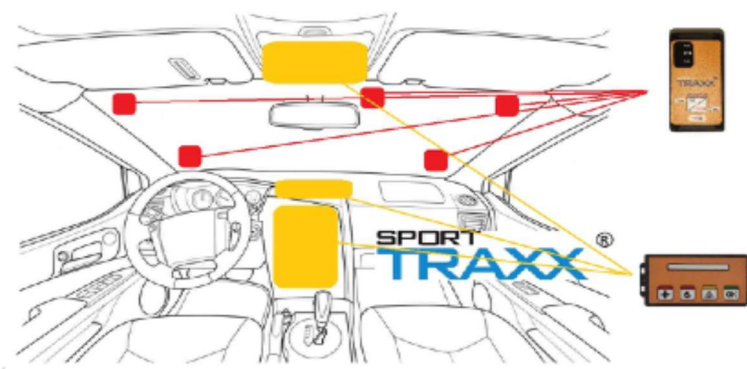
- SOS Med/SOS Fire/Hazard/OK buttons are easily reachable by both members of the crew even in a rolled over car, with fastened seat belts
- Full visibility of RED Flag notifications, and its easy acknowledgement by both members of the crew

Extended GSM coverage

- Access to both 2G (GPRS) and 4G (LTE-M) networks
- Multiroaming SIM Cards connecting to EE, Vodafone, O2, 3, EIR networks
- New watchdogs for better and faster reconnections in difficult areas

Higher GPS resolution

- Up to 1 position per second when car is moving, typically 5 seconds for battery saving purposes
- Improved internal buffer



A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Graham Provest".

Graham Provest

Clerk of the Course

Date 02/08/2025 Time 1731 hours